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Re: Freedom of Information Act Request
concerning Steve Martell

Dear Mr. DeVuono:

By letter of November 20, 1986, I made a Freedom of Information Act request for certain documents allegedly showing a connection between Merck & Co., Inc. and sites and business organizations related to one Steve Martell. For your convenience, I have attached a copy of this letter. To date you have not responded to Merck's request, and such delay well exceeds the time constraints of 5 USC §552(a)(6)(A). I would appreciate your prompt attention to this matter so that it can be resolved without the necessity for judicial action.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Very truly yours,

Beryl Kuder
Senior Attorney - Environmental Law

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Attachment

sent to Clinton 1/13/87

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RE: Data Request Concerning Sites and Business
Organizations Related to Steve Martell

Dear Mr. DeVuono:

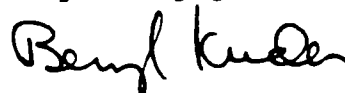
In response to your data request dated October 17, 1986, and received on October 28th, Merck & Co., Inc. has performed a thorough inquiry, in accordance with the best information available to it. For the relevant time period 1955 through 1985, we have found neither information nor documents relating to the sites or business organizations listed on the attachment to your letter and the generation, transportation, storage, disposal or cleanup of hazardous substances.

In view of the foregoing and pursuant to the Federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. §552, Merck & Co., Inc. hereby requests that you provide it with whatever documentation/information is in your possession purporting to show that Merck, including any of its subsidiaries or divisions, has, or has ever had, any connection with the sites or business entities you list and relating to the generation, storage, treatment, disposal, or cleanup of hazardous substances. At a minimum, this documentation/information would allow us to more effectively direct any further search of our records. We look forward to your response in this regard.

I certify that the information contained herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. I

further certify that a diligent search for all documents responsive to this request has been completed.

Very truly yours,



Beryl Kuder
Senior Attorney

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of November, 1986.



Notary Public of New Jersey

ADELE KOSOWICK
NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY
My Commission Expires Mar. 22, 1987